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| Interview Summary | Application No. 10/627,745 | Applicant(s) NAKAMURA ET AL. | |
| | Examiner Jaime W. Corrigan | Art Unit 3748 | |

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Jaime W. Corrigan. (3) ____.
- (2) Pavan Agarwal. (4) ____.

Date of Interview: 14 July 2005.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: ____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 12, 14.

Identification of prior art discussed: Grau PN 6,615,777.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicants argued that the limitation of the reduction mechanism/ reducing means "having a reduction ratio set to be larger when the valve is under control of small operating angle than when the valve is under control of large operating angle" was not met by the applied prior art. During the interview the Examiner reviewed the applied prior art and agreed that the prior art didn't meet or suggest the noted limitation.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required